

CONGRESSIONAL TRIBUTE TO  
MIKEL RYAN

**HON. STENY H. HOYER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 1997*

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mikel Ryan for his contribution to the national defense and economic health of the United States. Mr. Ryan has displayed outstanding leadership in a wide ranging civil service career that culminated as Chairman of the Department of Defense Range Commander's Council Frequency Management Group.

Mr. Ryan received a B.A. in telecommunications from the University of Northern Colorado in 1981, and has done graduate work in telecommunications at Colorado State University.

On August 26, 1997, Mr. Mikel Ryan completed his 2-year tenure as Chairman of the Department of the Defense Range Commander's Council Frequency Management Group [FMG]. Under Mr. Ryan's leadership, the FMG greatly enhanced its role assisting the development of national spectrum policy that affects the test range spectrum requirements and issues to senior level DOD personnel. In addition, he enhanced the links between the DOD and the civil aerospace industry, a key component of the national economy. Mr. Ryan's leadership of the FMG minimized negative effects of recent losses of Federal spectrum access on the entire DOD test range structure.

Currently, Mr. Ryan heads the Mid-Atlantic Area Frequency Coordination Office at the Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division at Patuxent River, MD. He is responsible for frequency management for the entire division. Mr. Ryan is also the executive coordinator for the automated spectrum planning, engineering, coordination, and tracking system. This system is the frequency management software with over 2,300 users worldwide.

Mr. Ryan has over 23 years of experience in the U.S. Government in communications. He joined the U.S. Army in October 1973, and served as a paratrooper/radioman in the 82d Airborne Division for 3 years. After earning his special forces qualification in September 1977, Mr. Ryan served as a senior communications sergeant on an operational detachment in the 19th Special Forces Group Airborne, Aurora CO. In August 1982, Mr. Ryan joined the 11th Special Forces Group Airborne.

Mr. Ryan's greatest contribution has been his exceptional leadership and support to the entire spectrum of the Nation's wide variety of policies, including support for the test and operation of highly complex National defense systems, and the civil aerospace industry. He has played a key role in assuring that there is spectrum available to support the test and operation of highly complex National defense systems, and the economic health of the United States. Thanks in large part to Mr. Ryan's diligence and committed hours of persistent and effective coordination, the National Test Range spectrum requirements has become an integral part of the daily defense operations. His support for defense and economic health will have a long lasting impact. Mr. Ryan's development of new range policies and increased cooperation is the cornerstone of a growing 21st century.

The United States is indeed indebted to Mr. Mikel Ryan for his selfless and distinguished

service. Mr. Ryan, your outstanding leadership and ceaseless efforts have laid a solid foundation for the development of range policies. We offer our thanks and appreciation for a job well done and wish you continued success in the future.

UNITED STATES AIRMEN HELD IN  
GERMANY'S BUCHENWALD CON-  
CENTRATION CAMP DURING  
WORLD WAR II

**HON. DAVE WELDON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 1997*

Mr. WELDON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on June 10 Representative PETER DEUTSCH and I introduced House Concurrent Resolution 95, a resolution that would officially honor United States airmen held in Germany's Buchenwald concentration camp during World War II. Senators TIM HUTCHINSON and JOSEPH LIEBERMAN introduced an identical resolution in the Senate the same week. Our bill recognizes the service and bravery of 82 U.S. airmen, who were the only U.S. soldiers ever held in a concentration camp.

At the time I introduced the bill, I submitted a list of U.S. military prisoners that had been held in Buchenwald, but inadvertently left off some of those names. The list I have included below is a complete list and corrects that earlier mistake. I would appreciate your inclusion of this new list in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

LIST OF WW II AMERICAN AIRMEN HELD AT  
BUCHENWALD CONCENTRATION CAMP

UPDATED SEPTEMBER 5, 1997

*Not located (5)*

Freeman, E.C.; Hanson, J.T.; Horrigan, R.J.; Scharf, B.T.; and Scott, G.W.

*Deceased (33)*

Alexander, William; Allen, Roy W.; Appleman, S.M.; Beck, Levit C.; Bozarth, J.W.; Chapman, Park; Crouch, M.E.; Dearey, R.W.; Duncan, James H.; Edge, W.L.; Fix, E.E.; Granberry, W.L.; Heimerman, L.A.; Hoffman, R.B.; Horwege, G.L.; and MacLenahan, J.H.

Martini, F.; Masters, L.O.; Mauk, W.E.; Mikel, G.; Pecus, Steve; Pederson, J.W.; Pennel, Sam; Salo, L.H.; Smith, J.W.; Stralka, P.A., Jr.; Suddock, D.E.; Vallee, E.; Vance, Ira E.; Vincent, E.H.; Wilson, P.J.; Wojnick, R.J.; and Zeiser, J.

*Still living (44)*

Bauder, W.F.; Bedford, R.L.; Bowen, C.E.; Brown, R.H.; Carr, F.W.; Chalot, J.A.; Chessir, D.; Coats, B.A.; Cowan, F.K.; Coffman, J.D.; Dauteul, D.F.; Denaro, Joe; Fore, J.W.; Hastin, J.D.; Hilding, R.D.; Hunter, H.F.; Johnson, R.T.; King, Myles A.; Larson, M.E.; Little, B.S.; Ludwig, E.F.; and McLaughlin, D.G.

Mitchell, G.E.; Moser, J.F.; Pacha, A.M.; Paxton, S.K.; Powell, W.; Reynolds, N.L.; Richey, G.T., Sr.; Ritter, E.W.; Roberson, C.W.; Ryherd, W.H.; Shearer, D.R.; Sypher, L.H.; Thompson, W.A.; Vratney, Frank; Watson, J.P.; Ward, Robert; Williams, W.J.; Zander, A.E.; Phelps, B.F.; Pelletier, A.J.; Friel, Edward J.; and Petrich, M.R.

HIGHER EDUCATION MADE MORE  
AFFORDABLE

**HON. RON PACKARD**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 1997*

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, with global technology and competition what it is today, a quality education is more important than ever. Middle-class families work hard day-in-and-day-out in order to save enough money to afford college for their children. They should not be punished by a perverse Washington tax system that demands more and more money from families. They should be allowed to keep more of their money. After all, it is their money.

Fortunately, furthering one's education after high school has just been made more affordable and accessible with the enactment of the Taxpayer Relief Act. Various education tax incentives, such as the \$1,500 HOPE tax credit and the Lifetime Learning credit, will bring the dream of a college education more within reach than ever before.

But while it is important to make higher education more accessible, we must also ensure that future college students are prepared to enter the halls of higher learning. We need to focus on providing the best possible education system at the elementary and secondary levels. Money should go directly into the classroom and be spent wisely on classroom instruction, not wasted on education bureaucracy.

As a father, grandfather, and former member of the Carlsbad, California School Board, I take a personal interest in providing quality education for our children. Parents and local school boards know best what their children's educational needs are—not bureaucrats in Washington. Families should not only have the opportunity to choose the educational path that is best-suited for their kids' needs, but education should be affordable and accessible for all. The education tax incentives in the Taxpayer Relief Act do exactly that.

SALUTE TO CHARLES  
WILLOUGHBY

**HON. JAMES V. HANSEN**

OF UTAH

**HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 1997*

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, my colleague, Mr. BERMAN, and I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Charles Willoughby who, after 7 years of loyal service to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, is leaving to become senior associate general counsel at Howard University. We wish Chuck well in this new endeavor.

We join past committee members in expressing gratitude to Chuck for his dedicated service to the committee. Chuck came to the committee from the U.S. Attorney's Office in the District of Columbia. He served the committee in both its investigation function as well as its education function. He has served the committee in difficult times yet always with